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TAGS: CDES, JA (HEINE, JOHN JOSEPH)

SUBJECT: DEATH OF JOHN JOSEPH HEINE

REF: STATE 177396, NAHA 377

1. MRS. HEINE HAS NOT CONTACTED CONGEN.
2. SUBJECT'S REMAINS CREMATED EVENING OF JULY 25. CONGEN HAD ASKED COMMON LAW WIFE AND FAMILY REFRAIN FROM ACTION UNTIL US NOK CONTACTED. FAMILY RELUCTANT AS THIS VIOLATION LOCAL CUSTOM AND LOCAL LAW REGULATING CREMATION REQUIRES ONLY THAT CREMATION BE REQUESTED BY MEMBER OF DECEASED'S "HOUSEHOLD". HEINE HAD LIVED WITH COMMON LAW WIFE MICHIE KISE FOR MORE THAN 23 YEARS AND FATHERED THREE CHILDREN: SACHIKO BORN FEB 9, 1953; TATSUO BORN NOVEMBER 26, 1955 AND DITSUKO BORN OCT 18, 1961. HEINE DOMESTIC SET-UP WELL KNOWN TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES AS MICHIE KISE HAD APPROACHED LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN PAYING

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HOSPITAL BILLS. IN VIEW OF ABOVE AND FACT THAT THERE TECHNICALLY NO LEGAL OBSTACLE, AUTHORITIES RELUCTANT TO REFUSE OR DELAY ACTION ON KISE REQUEST FOR CREMATION.

4. ON JULY 28, MICHIE KISE CALLED AT CONGEN TO DELIVER HEINE'S PERSONAL PAPERS AND RECORDS. AMONG PAPERS WE HAVE FOUND HOLOGRAPHIC WILL BEQUEATHING ESTATE TO THREE "BLOOD CHILDREN" AND APPOINTING DAUGHTER SACHIKO AS EXECUTRIX. WILL APPEARS VALID UNDER JAPANESE LAW.
5. ACCORDING MICHIE KISE, HEINE'S LEGAL WIFE DECEASED AND NO LEGAL CHILDREN. MRS HEINE OF LOS ANGELES IS WIDOW OF HEINE'S BROTHER.
6. DAUGHTER SACHIKO CURRENTLY IN US MARRIED TO US CITIZEN.

FAMILY INFORMING HER OF DEATH AND REQUESTING SHE AUTHORIZE MOTHER TAKE CUSTODY OF ESTATE. WE ARE ATTEMPTING SORT THROUGH EFFECTS FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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INFO ON ANY OTHER POSSIBLE NOK.

7. UNTIL WE HAVE FURTHER WORD FROM SACHIKO AND MRS. HEINE IN LOS ANGELES WE ARE MAINTAINING POSSESSION OF EFFECTS WHICH INCLUDE \$1500 IN TRAVELERS CHECKS AND BANK BOOKS.
8. WILL INFORM DEPT OF DEVELOPMENTS.
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